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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to  
3 learn of the death of Ron "Papa" Schaper of New Lenox, who  
4 passed away on February 14, 2010; and

5 WHEREAS, Ron Schaper founded the New Lenox Mustangs youth  
6 football program in 1964; as the team's heavyweight division  
7 coach, he enjoyed his 500th win in the 2009 season and his  
8 teams captured 7 national championships; and

9 WHEREAS, Ron Schaper owned and operated Sentry Hardware on  
10 U.S. Route 30 until a fire destroyed the building in 2001; and

11 WHEREAS, Ron Schaper was a volunteer on New Lenox TV for  
12 many years and was known for announcing Lincoln-Way Central  
13 High School football games; and

14 WHEREAS, Ron Schaper was a former New Lenox Chamber of  
15 Commerce Citizen of the Year and was inducted into the Joliet  
16 Area Sports Hall of Fame in 2005; and

17 WHEREAS, Ron Schaper raised Shar-Pei puppies and was known  
18 for organizing cruise trips for his friends; and

19 WHEREAS, Ron Schaper is survived by his wife, Jan; his son,

1 Bob; his daughter, Lynn Plarski; and his 5 grandchildren;  
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
5 his family and friends, the passing of Ron "Papa" Schaper; and  
6 be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the family of Ron Schaper as an expression of our  
9 sympathy.